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### **ARIZONA STUDENTS PERFORM ABOVE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE ON SAT SCORES**

PHOENIX (Tuesday, August 26, 2008) -- Arizona Schools Chief Tom Horne today announced that Arizona students again performed above the national average on the College Board's SAT college readiness examination. This year's performance of Arizona's students marks a five year trend.

Arizona students scored 516 in critical reading with the national average at 502; and scored 522 in math, while the national average was 515. In writing Arizona students scored 500, while the national average was 494.

Horne stated: "This is good news for our students. Arizona students are consistently performing above the national average in college readiness tests (both the SAT and the ACT) and performing above the national average on the *Terra Nova*, a national test given to all Arizona students grades 2-9."

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